

ACONCAGUA EXPEDITION

ARGENTINA | 7 SUMMIT PEAK: SOUTH AMERICA | 22,840, 6962M



CLIMB ACONCAGUA WITH IMG

At 22,840 feet tall and one of the coveted Seven Summits, Aconcagua is the highest mountain in the southern and western hemispheres and is the tallest peak in the world outside of the Himalayas. The weather conditions can be very difficult and the climb requires skill and endurance. Aconcagua attracts climbers from all over the globe to challenge their strength and abilities to reach the summit.

Our expeditions are staged in the unique and welcoming town of Mendoza which offers all the amenities for a comfortable and fun stay. Argentina has a culture known for great food and wine, relaxed nature, and hospitality. IMG has spent years perfecting our logistics in order to offer you the best expedition possible, taking advantage of all that the mountain and area have to offer. In doing so, we have created an almost unparalleled success rate while maintaining our flawless safety record. Your trust is well placed with International Mountain Guides.

THE CLIMB

Aconcagua is a physically demanding climb even though not one of the most technical of the "Seven Summits". You will be responsible for your personal equipment and your share of the group gear, food, and fuel. Climbers generally begin the expedition with approximately 80 pounds per person and will shuttle personal and group gear up the mountain during acclimatization climbs. It is imperative that climbers be in excellent physical condition. Climbers are expected to carry their weight or bring additional money with them for porters if they choose. This is a real expedition and requires everyone to be a good teammate who will pitch in for the success of the team.

THE GUIDES

The IMG guides are chosen for their experience, and they are often the same guides leading our Himalayan, Vinson, Alaskan, and Rainier programs. Joining these guides on Aconcagua will allow you to continue a relationship that you have built with them on other programs, or to start building a rapport with guides prior to a Himalayan climb, Vinson expedition, or one of our many other expeditions. Our Local Guides are also incredible, each guide having more than 25 ascents of Aconcagua alone, not to mention they have guided and climbed in other countries around the world.

DATES & PRICES

False Polish Guanacos Route Climb \$5,500

Add Single Supplement \$500 (in hotels as available)

Trip 1: Dec 28, 2024-Jan 18, 2025

Trip 2: Jan 20, 2025-Feb 10, 2025

Interested in a CUSTOM Climb?
Please [contact us](#) for information! Dates and cost TBD, subject to availability.

PREREQUISITES

Previous mountaineering experience is required! See full list of requirements [here](#).

QUICK LINKS

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REGISTER

- [IMG Application Package](#)
- Application Fee \$1500
- Passport copy

FEE SCHEDULE

Non-refundable application fee is due at registration and applies to program fees. **Balance of all fees are due 120 days prior to trip departure.** Please refer to the application package for payment instructions. Program fees are quoted in US dollars. All fees and payments are non-refundable and non-transferable. Payments must be received by IMG on or before the due dates. Prices shown apply to scheduled programs only.

CONTACT US

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THE ITINERARY

For the 2024-25 season, we will be offering scheduled climbs via the **False Polish Guanacos Variation Route**. The False Polish Route team will climb from one side of the mountain to High Camp and the summit, and then descend the Normal Route. Plan to arrive no later than Day 1 for gear checks and review of the details for the expedition. We spend two days in Mendoza making final preparations and doing our mandatory National Park check in where we will obtain our permits. Our expedition gets underway with a drive to the Park Entrance where we will repack loads for the mules. The rate of ascent will be dictated by the weather, the strength of the group, and our rate of acclimatization. All climbing decisions will be made by the guides, with the best interest of the group in mind. A good weather expedition might take 18 days on the mountain. Average time is 20 days, and 22-23 days is not unusual.

Day	Trip 1	Trip 2	False Polish Guanacos Variation Route Itinerary
1	28-Dec-2024	20-Jan-2025	Arrive to Mendoza, gear checks, overnight at the Diplomatic hotel
2	29-Dec-2024	21-Jan-2025	Secure Climbing Permits, pack, gear checks, overnight at Diplomatic hotel
3	30-Dec-2024	22-Jan-2025	Depart Mendoza for the town of Penitentes (8,940ft), hotel near trailhead
4	31-Dec-2024	23-Jan-2025	Penitentes to Pampa de Leñas (9,678 ft)
5	1-Jan-2025	24-Jan-2025	Pampa de Leñas to Casa de Piedras (10,629 ft)
6	2-Jan-2025	25-Jan-2025	Casa de Piedras to Plaza Argentina basecamp (13,800').
7	3-Jan-2025	26-Jan-2025	Rest day at Plaza Argentina.
8	4-Jan-2025	27-Jan-2025	Carry to Camp I (16,372').
9	5-Jan-2025	28-Jan-2025	Move to Camp I
10	6-Jan-2025	29-Jan-2025	Carry to Camp II(17,953') via the Ameghino col.
11	7-Jan-2025	30-Jan-2025	Move to Camp II
12	8-Jan-2025	31-Jan-2025	Carry to Camp III/Cholera (19,587')
13	9-Jan-2025	1-Feb-2025	Rest/acclimatization day at Camp II
14	10-Jan-2025	2-Feb-2025	Move to Camp Cholera (19,587 ft)
15	11-Jan-2025	3-Feb-2025	Summit (22,842 ft) and return to Camp Cholera
16	12-Jan-2025	4-Feb-2025	Descend to Plaza De Mulas
17	13-Jan-2025	5-Feb-2025	Trek out from Plaza De Mulas, overnight at hotel in Mendoza
18	14-Jan-2025	6-Feb-2025	Depart Mendoza for Home
19	15-Jan-2025	7-Feb-2025	Contingency Summit Day
20	16-Jan-2025	8-Feb-2025	Contingency Summit Day
21	17-Jan-2025	9-Feb-2025	Contingency Summit Day
22	18-Jan-2025	10-Feb-2025	Contingency Summit Day



THE DEAL:

Here is what is included and not included in your land cost fee.

Included

- IMG Leadership & local guides
- Group climbing equipment
- Double occupancy in hotels (2 total nights at The Diplomatic Hotel in Mendoza, 1 night in hotel near trailhead)
- Shared accommodations in tents while climbing
- Group transportation to/from trailhead
- Full board/hot meals and wifi on trek to Base Camp
- Mule support for Plaza De Mulas/ Plaza Argentina approach and final exit day
- Group porter to carry down group garbage and human waste only
- Meals while climbing except for snack items.
- IMG Buff

Not Included

- International airfare/tax/baggage fee
- Transportation to/from airport
- Aconcagua climbing permit (estimated to be \$900 USD, paid in Argentina)
- Hotel accommodations after the climb and early arrivals
- Single Supplement accommodations in hotel
- Snacks while climbing; meals while not climbing
- Alcoholic beverages and personal sundries
- Personal gear/climbing equipment
- Travel insurance; evacuation, hospital or medical costs
- Individual/personal porter support (contact us for information)
- Covid tests (if required for travel); any Covid-related expense resulting in delays or quarantine
- Optional but customary guide gratuities
- Tip pool for local guides and support staff- \$300 USD per person

THE ODDS & ENDS:

Single Supplement

Accommodations are based on double occupancy. If you would like a single room in the hotels, this is available for an additional \$500.

Travel Insurance

Emergency evacuation and medical expense coverage is required by IMG and is also a requirement to secure your permit when you arrive to Argentina. IMG strongly recommends trip cancellation/interruption coverage due to the IMG cancellation policy.

Flights

Plan to arrive on Day 1 of your published itinerary. Please provide your complete flight itinerary to us so we can book your hotel reservation and do keep us informed of any changes to your itinerary.

Passport & Visa

Your passport must have at least 6 months validity AFTER your date of arrival to Argentina and extra pages for stamps. Currently no visa is required for stays less than 90 days. Familiarize yourself with Travel Advisories and entry requirements available on the [U.S. State Department website](#).

Immunizations + Covid

The current information from the [US Embassy](#) for entering Argentina is that you no longer must show proof of Covid-19 vaccination or negative PCR test. Aconcagua National Park no longer requires proof of Covid-19 vaccination. Refer to the [CDC website](#) for more information on travel immunizations. Requirements are subject to change.

QUESTIONS?

Questions about the trip? [Email](#) or call (360) 569-2609